

REMARKS/DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 24-39 are pending in the present application. Claims 24 and 32 are the independent claims. Claims 24 and 32 have been amended. Claims 1-14 have been cancelled by an Examiner's Amendment as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

A Notice of Allowance was mailed on June 29, 2004. The present amendments to claims 24 and 32 are provided to address certain relatively minor informalities.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicant(s) respectfully request(s) that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of record, allow all the pending claims, and find the application to be in condition for allowance. If any points remain in issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event that there are any outstanding matters remaining in the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact William S. Francos, Esq. (Reg. No. 38,456) at (610) 375-3513 to discuss these matters.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 50-0238 for any fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 or under any other regulation of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may be required.

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